

NEBRASKA STATE QUARTER DESIGN COMMITTEE MEETING
STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 2102
LINCOLN, NE
Friday, June 22, 2004 - 9:30 am

PRESENT: Secretary of State John Gale, Tom Bassett, Virgil Marshall, Dr. Michael Schuyler, Gordon Howard, Norman Geske, and Roger Bruhn

OTHERS PRESENT: Staff member Sharon Hambek, Shawn Drapal and Kelly Seacrest

ABSENT: Jodi Rave

Open Meeting Notice: Secretary of State John Gale called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM noting there were enough members present to be sufficient for a quorum. He also stated notice of this meeting had been posted on the State's internet public meeting calendar in compliance with the Public Meeting Law. The agenda was posted on the Secretary of State web site and has been available in the office of the Secretary of State for inspection during regular business hours.

Minutes & Agenda: A motion was made by Dr. Schuyler, seconded by Mr. Bassett to accept the agenda. Roll call vote was taken with the motion passing by unanimous vote. A motion was made by Dr. Schuyler, seconded by Mr. Bassett to approve the minutes as previously mailed. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing by unanimous vote.

Introduction: Secretary Gale introduced Kelly Seacrest who will be working as an intern through the summer assisting with the Quarter Program.

Sketches: The Committee reviewed each of the sketches Shawn Drapal had prepared as directed by the Committee during the last meeting. Discussion was held on each. The Committee was then asked to review the sketches the second time and give Shawn directions on what they wanted done with each. Those directives are as follows:

- #1. Eliminate the clouds and the cowboy in the design
- #2. Eliminate the clouds and shading and add the words "Chimney Rock"
- #3. Completely eliminate this design
- #4. Eliminate this design – but keep the idea of a jet for future designs
- #5. Less shading and more straight lines in the capitol – add words "State Capitol"
- #6. Eliminate THIS version of the sower – do another with the size of the sower increased - perhaps do it with the outline of the state
- #7. Completely eliminate this design
- #8. Homestead - Keep the idea but eliminate this design – Mr. Bassett and Mr. Marshall may get some ideas to Mr. Drapal to use for this design
- #9. Try superimposing the capitol and Chimney Rock with Standing Bear. Do another design that just adds the words "Standing Bear" to the present design.
- #10. Add words – use capitol image more like the one used where the capitol stands alone on the design. May want to use a different image of Chimney Rock for this one also.

Mr. Howard also asked Dr. Drapal to do an additional design with the Platte River. He suggested perhaps using it to connect the capitol and Chimney Rock.

The Committee thanked Mr. Drapal for the great job he had done on the designs he presented.

A brief discussion was held regarding the designs that will be presented to the U.S. Mint. It was pointed out that a simple design provides for a nice image on the coin and does give the U.S. Mint graphic artists less latitude in changing what the Committee is really wanting. On the other hand, it was also noted the Committee needs to be very conscious of the fact that the design(s) needs to represent the entire state.

Consultant Contract: Secretary Gale asked members of the Committee to review the draft of a contract he had prepared for Mr. Drapal to reimburse him as a consultant for any work he does for the committee on his own time. Secretary Gale explained that any work Mr. Drapal does, such as attending the meetings during regular business hours, he will be receive his normal wages as an employee of the Secretary of State's office. This contract would be between the Quarter Design Committee and Mr. Drapal for hours spent on the project after regular business hours. The contract also addresses the issue of proprietary rights of any sketches Mr. Drapal does for the Committee. Mr. Bruhn raised the question of whether or not the term "work for hire" needed to be included in the contract. Secretary Gale said he would check into that before signatures were obtained.

Humanities Letter: Secretary Gale noted he had sent the letter, of which each member had a copy of in their packet, asking the Nebraska Humanities Council to become a partner in the Launch Event for the quarter. He noted with the staff they have in place and their known stability they would be a great entity to serve as a conduit for any monies raised to finance the launch event. Additionally they have historical entertainers that they may be able to partnership with us on. Secretary Gale asked members to notify him if they had any other ideas of how the Committee could partnership with the Humanities Council. He would then discuss it with them and report back to the Committee at the next meeting. .

Designs: It was noted subcommittees had reviewed the public designs the previous day and had selected a number of them to be placed on the Secretary of State web site. Secretary Gale asked Ms. Hambek and Ms. Seacrest to select an additional 20 to 30, including the ones that were recently in the newspaper, to be put on the web.

Launch Event: Ms. Hambek reviewed the information she had gathered regarding possible venues and the dates they would be available for the Launch Event. Some discussion was held with regard to what type of event it would be and the possibility of whether or not the Committee could "piggy back" with the Statehood Dinner for a VIP event. Following the discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Schuyler, seconded by Mr. Howard to have Ms. Hambek to contact both the Pershing Auditorium and the

Lancaster Event Center and reserve them for March 25, 2006. This is to be done ONLY if there is no deposit required. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing by unanimous vote. Once there is a venue secured for that date, the Committee will then contact the U.S. Mint to see if they would confirm that date for the launch.

The Committee asked if Ms. Hambek would get copies of the three proposals for the Launch Event from the UNL Journalism students to them at the next meeting.

Recess: The meeting was recessed at 11:20 am for a ten minutes break. Mr. Bassett, in the absence of Secretary Gale, reconvened the meeting at 11:30 am noting there were enough members present for a quorum.

Designs: It was at this time the Committee gave their final directions to Mr. Drapal regarding the designs he had presented. That information is noted above under the heading "Sketches."

Adjournment: There being no further business, Mr. Howard made a motion and Dr. Schuyler seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Hambek
Event Coordinator